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Energy Sector

1. *August 13, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Exxon Mobil fined \$566,600 for Torrance refinery explosion.** The California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) issued a \$566,660 fine for 19 workplace safety and health citations August 13 to Exxon Mobil in response to a blast at the company's refinery in Torrance, California, February 18 which injured 4 workers. Cal/OSHA accused the company of defying State safety standards at the expense of worker safety.
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-exxon-mobil-refinery-explosion-20150813-story.html>

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

Nothing to report

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

2. *August 13, U.S. Department of Justice* – (National) **Florida investment adviser pleads guilty to orchestrating \$9 million investment fraud scheme.** The Tampa-based founder of OM Global Investment Fund LLC pleaded guilty August 13 to charges that he used \$9 million in funds investors believed to be designated exclusively for the purchase of Facebook Inc., pre-initial public offering (IPO) shares for other “side pocket” investments, and that he misled them about the nature and value of their investments in his company’s OM Global Fund from 2011 – 2013.
Source: <https://www.fbi.gov/tampa/press-releases/2015/florida-investment-adviser-pleads-guilty-to-orchestrating-9-million-investment-fraud-scheme>

Transportation Systems Sector

3. *August 14, WFXT 25 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **International flight diverted to Logan Airport.** An American Airlines flight headed to London from Raleigh, North Carolina, was diverted to Logan Airport in Boston August 13 due to a mechanical problem. The plane landed safely and all 149 passengers on board were re-booked onto other flights.
Source: <http://www.myfoxboston.com/story/29786040/international-flight-diverted-to-logan-airport>

4. *August 14, Associated Press* – (Nevada) **Intense thunderstorm pounds Vegas area, prompts flood alerts.** The Federal Aviation Administration reported that intense thunderstorms over McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas delayed flight departures for at least 2 hours and diverted arrival flights elsewhere August 13. Power outages and flooding were also reported throughout the Las Vegas valley as a result of the storm.
Source: <http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/other/intense-thunderstorm-pounds-vegas-area-prompts-flood-alerts/ar-BBIJgnX>
5. *August 13, WBZ 4 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **Amtrak train fatally strikes person in Mansfield; rail delays reported.** The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority reported August 13 that rail traffic between Boston and Providence was delayed for at least 1 hour while officials investigated, after a person was reportedly fatally struck by an Amtrak train in Mansfield while trespassing on Track 2.
Source: <http://boston.cbslocal.com/2015/08/13/amtrak-train-mansfield-commuter-rail/>
6. *August 13, KVUE 24 Austin* – (Texas) **Four dead, five children injured in Caldwell County Crash.** Parts of U.S. 183 northbound near State H 21 in Caldwell County, Texas, reopened after being shut down for approximately 4 hours August 13 while crews investigated the cause of a single-vehicle rollover accident that killed 4 people and injured 5 children.
Source: <http://www.kvue.com/story/news/local/2015/08/13/ems-responding--fatal-accident-near-mustang-ridge/31617463/>
7. *August 13, KABC 7 Los Angeles* – (California) **Attempted murder suspect hit by car on 210 Freeway after police chase ends in Glendora.** All lanes of 210 Freeway in Glendora reopened after being shut down for several hours August 13 after an attempted murder suspect was struck by a vehicle on foot while being chased by police in the eastbound lanes. The suspect was taken to a local hospital with injuries.
Source: <http://abc7.com/news/attempted-murder-suspect-hit-by-car-on-210-fwy-after-police-chase/926526/>
8. *August 13, KBOI 2 Boise* – (Oregon) **Traffic alert: I-84 in eastern Oregon back open.** The Oregon Department of Transportation reported August 13 that Interstate 84 between Pendleton and Ontario, Oregon, reopened after being closed August 13 while crews responded the 15,000-acre Windy Ridge Fire.
Source: <http://www.kboi2.com/news/local/Traffic-Alert-Oregon-wildfire-shut-down-I-84-from-Ontario-to-Baker-City-321827532.html>

Food and Agriculture Sector

9. *August 14, U.S. Department of Agriculture* – (Alaska; Washington) **Kapowsin Meats recalls pork product due to possible Salmonella contamination.** Graham, Washington-based Kapowsin Meats issued a recall August 13 for approximately 116,262 pounds of Whole Hogs for Barbeque products due to Salmonella contamination following testing that identified 32 patient cases who had consumed the product and contracted illness caused by Salmonella. The product was produced from

April 18 – July 27 and shipped to retail stores in Alaska and Washington.
Source: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2015/recall-110-2015-release>

10. ***August 13, U.S. Department of Labor*** – (Ohio) **Chicken processor faces \$861K in fines after OSHA finds workers continue to be exposed to serious amputation, electrocution and fall hazards.** The Occupational Health and Safety Administration cited Case Farms Processing Inc., August 13 with 55 health and safety violations after a February inspection of its Ohio poultry processing facility showed amputation hazards, non-functioning fall-arrest systems, unprotected platforms that could result in falls, and improperly stored oxygen cylinders, among other safety violations. Proposed fines total \$861,500.

Source: <https://www.osha.gov/newsrelease/reg5-20150813A.html>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

11. ***August 13, WIBW 12 Topeka*** – (Kansas) **Osage County Creek under health advisory.** An unnamed creek in Osage County was placed under a public health advisory August 13 after a damaged sewer polluted a tributary to 110 Mile Creek in Scranton. Officials urged the public to avoid contact with the water until testing is completed.

Source: <http://www.wibw.com/home/headlines/Osage-County-Creek-under-health-advisory--321837172.html>

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

12. ***August 13, U.S. Department of Justice*** – (Missouri) **Missouri hospital agrees to pay United States \$5.5 million to settle alleged false claims act violations.** The U.S. Department of Justice announced August 13 that Missouri-based Mercy Health Springfield Communities and its affiliate, Mercy Clinic Springfield Communities agreed to pay \$5.5 million to settle allegations that the health care providers violated the False Claims Act by submitting fraudulent claims to the Medicare program for services rendered to patients referred by physicians who received kickbacks from the providers.

Source: <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/missouri-hospital-agrees-pay-united-states-55-million-settle-alleged-false-claims-act>

13. ***August 13, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Maryland*** – (Washington, D.C.) **Former Army pharmacy specialist pleads guilty to stealing drugs from Walter Reed Hospital.** Federal and State officials announced August 13 that a previous pharmacy specialist at the former Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington, D.C., pleaded guilty to charges for his role in stealing over \$2 million worth of Somatropin, a form of human growth hormone, from the medical center's pharmacy. Two other co-conspirators previously entered pleas and received sentences for their roles.

Source: <http://www.justice.gov/usao-md/pr/former-army-pharmacy-specialist-pleads-guilty-stealing-drugs-walter-reed-hospital>

14. ***August 13, WCVB 5 Boston*** – (Massachusetts) **DPH investigating release of patient**

information at medical marijuana dispensary. The Massachusetts Department of Health announced August 13 that it is investigating an incident at Alternative Therapies Group in Salem involving patient information.

Source: <http://www.wcvb.com/health/dph-investigating-release-of-patient-information-at-medical-marijuana-dispensary/34704260>

Government Facilities Sector

15. *August 14, Washington Post* – (National) **The U.S. is now at wildfire preparedness level 5 – the highest there is.** Officials upgraded the National Preparedness Level for wildfires to 5, the highest, due to large fires burning in 11 States. Fire crews continued to battle the 24,555-acre Jerusalem Fire in California with 52 percent containment, as well as the 218,000-acre Soda Fire in Idaho with 11 percent containment.
Source: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/news/energy-environment/wp/2015/08/14/the-u-s-is-now-at-wildfire-preparedness-level-5-the-highest-there-is/>
16. *August 14, KCBS 2 Los Angeles* – (California) **HazMat situation prompts evacuation of bio-chemistry building at UC Irvine.** A chemical spill in the bio-chemistry building at the University of California, Irvine left four people hospitalized with injuries August 14, and prompted the evacuation of the building while emergency crews inspected and aired out the facility.
Source: <http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2015/08/14/hazmat-situation-prompts-evacuation-of-bio-chemistry-building-at-uc-irvine/>
17. *August 13, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Four men indicted for marijuana cultivation in the Sierra National Forest.** Officials reported August 13 that 4 men were indicted in connection to a large marijuana cultivation operation in the Sierra National Forest in California after 5,904 marijuana plants and a loaded firearm were found at the site. The men allegedly cut vegetation and diverted water from a nearby creek to irrigate the plants.
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/crime/article31071345.html>
18. *August 13, Atlanta Journal-Constitution* – (Georgia) **State approves Fulton election settlement.** Fulton County admitted to 30 violations of Georgia State law during 2008 and 2012 elections, and will pay \$180,000 in penalties and investigation costs in a settlement reached with the State Election Board August 13 regarding the mishandling of registrations, votes, and ballots during elections.
Source: <http://www.ajc.com/news/news/local-govt-politics/state-approves-fulton-election-settlement/nnJj2/>
19. *August 13, Al.com* – (Florida) **44 Fort Benning personnel struck by lightning while training.** Officials at Fort Benning in Georgia reported August 13 that 40 U.S. Army Ranger students and 4 Ranger instructors were hospitalized after being struck by lightning August 12 during training at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida.
Source:
<http://www.al.com/news/index.ssf?/base/news/1438800000000000&coll=1>

For another story, see item [8](#)

Emergency Services Sector

20. *August 13, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Former L.A. County sheriff's captain agrees to plead guilty in jail scandal.** A retired Los Angeles County sheriff's captain entered into a plea agreement August 13 to plead guilty to lying on the stand, and agreed to cooperate with prosecutors regarding an ongoing case into the obstruction of a Federal investigation into excessive force and corruption at county jails. The ongoing case has resulted in seven convictions for obstructing a Federal investigation.
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-la-me-in-former-top-sheriff-s-official-agreement-jail-scandal-20150813-story.html>

Information Technology Sector

21. *August 14, IDG News Service* – (International) **Google has another try at patching Stagefright flaw.** Google released a second update for a vulnerability affecting hundreds of millions of Android devices dubbed “Stagefright,” after security researchers from Exodus Intelligence discovered that a maliciously crafted MP4 file could be used to bypass a previous fix for the issue.
Source: <http://www.computerworld.com/article/2971061/security/google-has-another-try-at-patching-stagefright-flaw.html>
22. *August 14, Securityweek* – (International) **Apple releases patch for OS X vulnerability exploited in the wild.** Apple released security updates for OS X, iOS, Safari, and OS X Server, patching 135 vulnerabilities including a local privilege escalation zero-day vulnerability related to the DYLD_PRINT_TO_FILE environment variable that attackers were exploiting in the wild to install adware and other questionable software.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/apple-releases-patch-os-x-vulnerability-exploited-wild>
23. *August 13, SC Magazine* – (International) **Android ransomware locks up devices, has additional features.** Security researchers from Fortinet reported that the recently observed Android ransomware “Android/Locker.CB!tr” utilizes an FBI warning containing the user’s picture and Internet Protocol (IP) address, and can send and intercept short message service (SMS) messages as well as access the device’s contact list.
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/android-ransomware-locks-up-devices-has-additional-features/article/432651/>
24. *August 13, Threatpost* – (International) **Zero day in Android's Google Admin app can bypass sandbox.** Security researchers from MWR Labs discovered a vulnerability in Android's Google Admin application on Android devices in which an attacker could use another application on the device to send a specific type of uniform resource locator (URL) to bypass the operating system's (OS) Same Origin Policy and get data from the Google Admin sandbox.

Source: <https://threatpost.com/zero-day-in-android-admin-app-can-bypass-sandbox/114274>

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Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <http://www.it-isac.org>

Communications Sector

25. *August 13, Chicago Sun-Times* – (Illinois) **10,000 Comcast customers on north side affected by outage.** About 10,000 Comcast Xfinity customers on the North Side in Chicago were without Internet, telephone, and cable service for nearly 7 hours August 13 after 2 fiber optic lines were cut in 2 different locations at the same time. Service was restored and crews are investigating the cause of the damage.
Source: <http://chicago.suntimes.com/news/7/71/875689/comcast-xfinity-outage-north-side>

For additional stories, see items [21](#), [22](#), and [23](#)

Commercial Facilities Sector

26. *August 13, WPLG 10 Miami* – (Florida) **Building evacuated after fire reported in Fort Lauderdale.** A Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue representative reported that all 23 floors of the Bank of America building housing several restaurants was evacuated for several hours August 13 after a grease fire began at Grille 401 on the first floor of the building. Grille 401 remained closed for the remainder of the day and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.
Source: <http://www.local10.com/news/building-evacuated-after-fire-reported-in-fort-lauderdale/34695746>
27. *August 13, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **‘Chaos’ as Costco evacuated in Burbank amid fire department hazmat response.** A Costco warehouse store in Burbank, California, was scheduled to reopen August 14 after the store was evacuated and closed August 13 due to a freon leak from a refrigerator system.
Source: <http://ktla.com/2015/08/13/costco-evacuated-in-burbank-amid-fire-department-hazmat-response/>

Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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